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**Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
Our Ref: 037110.53238US

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

**Olaf Boese et al.**

entitled: **METHOD FOR REMOVING ACID FROM AN APROTIC LIQUID**

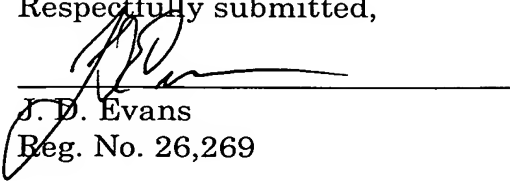
Enclosed are:

1. Application Data Sheet
2. Specification, including 10 claims (pages 8).
3. Certified copy of Priority Document DE 101 43 171.6 filed in Federal Republic of Germany on September 4, 2001, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
4. Information Disclosure Statement w/ 6 references.
5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee					\$385/770	=	\$770.00
Total Claims	<u>10</u>	-	20	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$9/18 = \$00.00
Independent Claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$43/86 = \$00.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented					\$145/290	=	\$00.00
Total Filing Fee							<u>\$770.00</u>

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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